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Title: Need to bring back stranded Indian students in Malaysia and Phillipines due to outbreak of corona virus pandemic.

DR. A. CHELLAKUMAR (KRISHNAGIRI): Hon. Speaker, Sir, I take this opportunity to draw the attention of the Government to the plight of Indian students studying in Philippines and other countries. The Government of India has banned the entry of passengers from Philippines and Malaysia as a precautionary measure to prevent the spread of novel coronavirus. Yesterday, around 200 Indian students studying in Philippines were stranded in Malaysia en route to India. I thank the Ministry for initiating necessary steps to bring them back to India safely. However, hundreds of Indian students are still stranded in Philippines. The Philippines Government has closed their institutions and asked them to vacate within 72 hours, which is about to expire today. The students are struggling without proper food, adequate water and shelter. The Ministry should immediately take stock of the problem across the world and arrive at a solution on a war footing and bring all the students back home.